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Sir:

    This paper is being submitted is in response to the Final Office Action mailed September 11, 2007.

Please amend the subject application, as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 3 of this paper.

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Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.